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## NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

**FERC ORDER NOS. 890 AND 890A:** Mr. Wood of Southern Company, and co-chair of the WEQ Electronic Scheduling and Information Technology Subcommittee (ESS/ITS) and Mr. Sorenson of OATI, also co-chair of the WEQ ESS/ITS, provided a review of the NAESB progress to address [FERC Order 890 and FERC Order 890-A](#). Mr. Sorenson reviewed the work accomplished in the ESS/ITS subcommittee meetings. The item that consumed most of their time was the FERC Order No. 890-A requirement to have standards for long term conditional firm. Those were currently posted for formal comment and due July 25. They planned to have an EC single topic conference call to vote on the recommendation based on the comments received. They were also working on comprehensive new standards and language modification for WEQ 001 as well as companion changes to the OASIS technical standards, the data dictionary and the OASIS implementation guide. They were completing other annual plan items, including business practices to complement any standards from the NERC supplemental SAR; changes to ATC information links and business practices related to post backs on ATC information links; modifications to the description of ancillary services in WEQ 001 that would include Demand Response in lieu of generation resources with comments due on August 11, 2008. Mr. Wood reviewed the activities of the business practice subcommittee. The CBM recommendations were almost complete, they were waiting for JISWG to get them information before finishing it. Ms. McQuade noted there would be a conference call on July 18 to discuss the transparency reporting part of AP Item 2.b.v.

**NAESB DEMAND RESPONSE DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS:** Mr. Winkler, of ISO-NE, is heading up the [DSM/EE](#) task force for the Wholesale Matrix development from programs administered by ISOs and RTOs, provided an update on the Wholesale Matrix development. He noted that the matrix was being used to develop standards language and was not considered to be part of the work paper. The wholesale work group was halfway through developing standards language and were determining the best way to apply baseline to the different product types. They were still on target to having draft standards on September 30. Ms. McQuade provided the update on the retail activities. They were working on validating the matrix. Several companies were going through different air conditioning direct load control programs to determine how to validate that the information they were collecting was correct. This would be used as a framework for the standards. They were coordinating efforts with NERC and AART and would have a conference call on July 25 and 30 to finalize the work paper. Retail was approximately three months behind wholesale in standards development. The other two groups working in the DSM/EE subcommittee were the glossary and preamble. The meeting on July 30 in Carmel, Indiana would provide more detail on the approach taken by the ISO/RTOs and a number of the utilities.

**FERC ORDER NO. 698:** Mr. Novak provided an overview of the [FERC Order No. 698 activities](#) in the Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ). Redirects and Capacity Release Price Indexing were both voted out of the Executive Committee while the three proposals for Intraday Nominations failed to garner consensus in the subcommittee. The Intraday Nominations work would be forwarded to the FERC and he did not know if there would be another opportunity to comment. Ms. McQuade noted that the Board of Directors took action to say that if it was acceptable to the FERC, NAESB would make two separate filings, sending Intraday Nominations separately from Redirects and Capacity Release Price Indexing which still needed to be vetted through the technical subcommittee.

**ANNUAL PLANS:** Mr. Novak provided a review of the annual plans of the Retail Gas and Retail Electric Quadrants. They were completing work on original customer choice and were also focused on the registration agent model, also known as the "Texas model". The Wholesale Gas Annual Plan was discussed by Mr. Buccigross. FERC Order No. 712 was intertwined with FERC Order No. 698, both of which had tight deadlines for implementation. A big success of Wholesale Gas was e-Tariff, which was a cross quadrant effort between Wholesale Gas and Wholesale Electric. They also completed an update of the NAESB contract. Ms. York provided the Wholesale Electric Annual Plan update. They coordinated with NERC to ensure the two organizations had complementary standards. They were panning field tests for market curtailment thresholds. It was determined that no business practice standards were needed for Operate Within Limits. Later in the year they would be looking at cyber security business practices. A request to look at Time and Inadvertent Management was currently being



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addressed by the Business Practice Subcommittee. They also coordinated their glossary with NERC. She thanked Ms. Rager for her help in that effort.

**BOARD EFFORTS:** Ms. McQuade provided an update on board efforts. The Board of Directors met in late June and reviewed all of the above activities. They created two ad hoc groups and Mr. Desselle would name board members to these groups. The first group was a Parliamentary Committee that would review governance documents to implement changes to support the issue where a single segment was less than 50% populated and determine whether or not that segment could block votes; they would also address retail changes to requirements for populating segments; as well as review governance documents to see what changes could be made. The second ad hoc group would look at revenue issues, including non-dues revenue and dues revenue generation to determine whether any changes need to be made.

**Next Conference Call:** The next Monthly Update Call is scheduled for September 10, 2008 from 1-2 PM Central. The agenda and any work papers will be posted on the Monthly Update page of the NAESB website: [http://www.naesb.org/monthly\\_update.asp](http://www.naesb.org/monthly_update.asp). We hope you can join us. If there are particular topics you would like to see covered or would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB office at (713) 356-0060, [naesb@naesb.org](mailto:naesb@naesb.org).



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## NAESB Monthly Update Conference Call, Participant List July 16, 2008 2:00 PM Eastern

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